May 18, 2000

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 437 - Cecil County - Development Excise Tax.

This bill authorizes the Board of County Commissioners of Cecil County to impose, by law, a development excise tax for financing the capital costs of additional or expanded public facilities or improvements in the county.

House Bill 1049, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 25, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 437.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

Senate Bill No. 437

AN ACT concerning

Cecil County - Development Excise Tax

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Cecil County to impose, by law, a development excise tax; requiring the Board to advertise and hold a public hearing before passing a local law imposing the tax or altering the amount of the tax; requiring that the tax be imposed on a certain basis and be paid at a certain time; limiting the amount of the tax that may be imposed; requiring that the tax be deposited in a certain account which may be used only for certain purposes and subject to certain procedural requirements; submitting this Act to a referendum of the legally qualified voters of Cecil County; defining a certain term; and generally relating to authorization for a development excise tax in Cecil County.

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of Cecil County

Section 34-16

Article 8 - Public Local Laws of Maryland

(1989 Edition and November 1999 Supplement, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 8 - Cecil County